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Dear Sir:

I, Eric Schneider, pro se Applicant, request expedited examination of patent application 10/604,598 due to improper publication that was inadvertently published 6/10/2004. Applicant had filed the application using EFS on 8/1/2003. Included in this submission was a Request Not to Publish. Applicant notified Office of Patent Legal Administration of this mistaken publication error. It was verified that Applicant is not at fault for this error and advised that this petition be submitted due to the mistake.

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Respectfully submitted,



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